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Whitstable Town FC
v Ramsgate FC
Kent Senior Cup
Tuesday 25th. February 2020
Kick Off 7:45 pm



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Words from the Chairman

Good evening ladies and gentlemen and welcome to the final part of the trilogy of matches v Ramsgate, we drew both league games against our friends from Thanet but tonight that's not an option... there must be a winner!!

The only winner of recent events has been the weather especially storm Dennis who decided to rip the felt clean from the clubhouse and changing room roofs!

Let's hope the weather starts to improve so we can get out on the pitch and do some much needed work to improve the playing surface and some tidying up to other parts of the ground. As ever if you feel you could spare a couple of hours on a Monday, Wednesday or Friday morning our volunteers are working away and could always do with an extra pair of hands, your help would be much appreciated.

So back to tonight's game it's a quarter final with and just two games away from a show piece final..

let's get behind Lloyd and the boys to ensure we find ourselves one game away from that final!!!

Come on you reds!!!

Steve

U15S (KENT YOUTH LEAGUE) LOOKING FOR A STRIKER

BY MARK COOKE

Are you looking for a new challenge

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Blacky's Blog

Good evening and a very warm welcome to everyone here at the Belmont for this Kent cup quarter final tie against Ramsgate.

Ourselves and our opponents tonight faced off against each other in a hard-fought league match earlier this month resulting in a 1-1 draw. We didn't quite reach the standards of the previous weeks that afternoon so hopefully we can go one better to gain the victory and progress into the semi-finals tonight.

It's been a stop start period due to the very bad weather we've had and that's certainly broken up our flow. We travelled to VCD on Saturday who themselves were off the back of an excellent result away at Herne bay the week before, so we knew we were up against a very good and organised side.

I wasn't happy with our display or showing and being brutally honest we didn't deserve anything from the match. A lot of huff and puff but no real quality to our play in and out of possession. We looked a bit ring rusty but as always, we had a good chat afterwards and made sure of focus was ready for the next game.

With 11 league fixtures left it's vitally important we finish the season as strong as we can. The league table changes shape every week and our ambitions are to take each game as it comes and continue to improve and perform well, to finish as high up the table as we can.

Tonight's fixture will be very tough, but you don't get many opportunities as a player in cup competitions and I'm looking forward to seeing the response from the boys.

Hope you all enjoy the game.
Thanks for your amazing support and keep cheering the lads on.

Cheers

Blacky



Biggsie's Banter

Once again, I welcome the players, Committee and Supporters of Ramsgate to the Belmont for this Kent Senior Cup. I also welcome the Officials without whom we would not have a game.

The weather of late has been relentless and does not seem to have any ending to it. The pitch has suffered badly, and the ground is full of water. The playing surface is taking the toll which makes it difficult to play tight passing football. Credit must go to our ground staff, mainly John Hill who has worked tirelessly on the pitch putting in a lot of time and struggling to improve it due to the rain. Of course, most pitches are experiencing the same problems. The conditions up North are horrific and I feel for the suffering of all the people who have been hit by the devastation that the flooding has brought.

Last Saturday saw us at VCD Athletic for a League Match. There was a lot of sand on the pitch, but the surface looked playable. However, the wind made the playing conditions difficult with the ball at some stages seeming to go nowhere. I felt that we were denied a lot of decisions which at times were blatant. There was a definite penalty decision which escaped being given

It seems ages ago when we last played Ramsgate in a league fixture. That was a tight game with both teams giving their all. Let us hope that this match gives us good entertaining football.

I hope all of you enjoy your visit and all have a safe journey home afterwards.

#COME ON THE TOWN#

Les

**Next home game at the Belmont is a
Isthmian BetVictor match
V Guernsey FC
Saturday 29th. February 2020
Kick Off 3:00 pm**

WHO'S WHO AT THE CLUB 2019/2020

The Belmont Ground, Belmont Road
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Ownership - FA Rule 2.13

WTFC Ltd is registered with Companies House as Company Number 11754078.
WTFC Ltd was incorporated on 7th January 2019 as a company limited by guarantee.

On the 1st June 2019 WTFC Ltd took over all the assets and liabilities of Whitstable Town Football Club which was previously a members club.

As a company limited by guarantee WTFC Ltd does not have any share capital and no one person, or persons, has a controlling interest. Under the Articles of Association, the management of WTFC Ltd is in the hands of a Board of Directors.

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Ramsgate History

Ramsgate has had senior football teams within the town since the late-1800s, but despite the paucity of reports in the local press there are match reports for Ramsgate Athletic from 1895. At this time matches were being played on a number of grounds around the town, including the Rams' current home - Southwood. Football in east Kent closed down during the Great War, and in 1919 the Southwood ground was provided for Ramsgate Town, by then known simply as Ramsgate. In their first season they finished 3rd in the Kent League and reached the Kent Senior Cup final, but lost 1-0 to Northfleet at Maidstone before a crowd of 10,000. In 1924 Ramsgate Town folded and Ramsgate Grenville moved to Southwood and, apart from the appearance and demise a few years later of Ramsgate Press Wanderers in 1932, became the senior Ramsgate side until the 2nd World War again brought an end to all football in east Kent.

Football resumed after the war and Southwood was taken over by the current club in 1945, then called Ramsgate Athletic, with the pitch being turned through 90 degrees and covers to the terraces and a stand erected from the anti-invasion steelwork from nearby Pegwell Bay. The Club played in the Kent League until it was disbanded in 1959, and were runners-up in the Kent Senior Shield in 1946/47, finalists in the Kent Senior Cup in 1947/48, Kent League Cup winners in 1948/49, followed by winning the League and runners-up in the Kent Senior Shield in 1949/50. In the next golden period, from 1954 to 1957, the Club won back-to-back League Championships (1955/56 & 1956/57), with a new attendance record being set in 1955/56 when 5,200 spectators watched the local derby against Margate. They also made Club history when they reached the First Round Proper of the FA Cup for the first time in November 1955, eventually losing 5-3 at Watford, a record that stood for the next 50 years.

In 1958/59 the Club also started playing in the Thames & Medway Combination League, winning the Eastern Division that season but finishing runners-up to Sittingbourne in the Champions' Cup Final. With the demise of the KCFA Kent League in 1959, the Club joined the Southern League, as well as continuing in the Thames & Medway Combination. A new main stand was erected along the southern side of the pitch at Southwood, which is still in use today, and in November 1959 the Rams were visited by Everton to mark the official illumination of the newly installed floodlights – the 'Toffees' winning 7-1. In 1967/68 the Club again won the Kent Senior Shield and were runners-up in the Southern League Cup. In 1971/72 they finished runners-up in the League and were promoted to the Premier Division. In 1972 the Club changed its name to Ramsgate but after a decline in fortunes off the pitch the Club were relegated to Division 1 and later resigned from League in 1976, the 1st team taking the Reserves' place in the new Kent League and in 1988/89 won the Kent Senior Trophy for the 2nd consecutive year and finished runners-up in the Kent League Cup, whilst in 1998/99 the Club was eligible for promotion to the Southern League after winning the Kent Premier League championship, but decided the time was not right, and also won the Kent Senior Trophy and reached the semi finals of the Kent League Cup. The 2004/2005 season saw the Club capitalise on the promise of its successful youth and a tough pre-season programme had the Rams playing (and defeating) 4 sides from higher leagues, including old adversaries Margate. In competitive football the Rams made good progress in the FA Cup, despatching Kingstonian (2 leagues above) before falling in the 2nd half to Dulwich Hamlet (1 league higher), whilst in the FA Vase they again reached the 3rd Round Proper. The best form was saved for the domestic season, where the Rams again did the double, the Kent League Premier Division Cup as well as the Kent League Championship by a clear margin, gaining promotion to the Isthmian League Division 1 South.

Summer 2005 saw the Rams start the new era with two further pieces of silverware, beating Herne Bay in the Kent League Challenge Shield and Margate in the Kent Messenger Challenge Cup. The season continued with the Club reaching the 1st Round Proper of the FA Cup, the only Step 4 club in the country to do so that year and equalling the Club record set 50 years earlier. The Club also won the League at the first attempt, securing back-to-back promotions to the Isthmian Premier for 2006/2007. For most of their 1st season in the Premier Division the Rams were settled in the 'play-off spots' and spent several weeks in 2nd place, but the toll on the squad was noticeable and injuries saw their form dip in the last weeks and they eventually slipped to 9th. This also meant a new record, as the Club had only managed to stay in the Southern League Premier for a single season. 2007/08 saw the Rams set more club records, winning the Isthmian League Cup and also reaching the play-offs for Conference South. For 2008/09 the Club erected new covers to the terraces behind each goal, to replace those erected after the war but removed in the 1970s, however having lost key players an average performance on the pitch dipped in the last months with relegation to Division 1 South. This saw several players leave to remain playing at the higher level, and a much younger Ramsgate team in 2009/10 avoided a further drop as some had predicted. After returning to Division 1 the Rams usually finished near the play-offs until 2013/14 when, after five managers in 14 months, the Rams ended up in 21st place. This saw the return of Jim and Danny Ward for their 3rd spell in charge, almost 20 years since they first joined the Club, and though they were in 2nd place at Christmas the form dropped and the Rams ended up mid-table. A good start in 2016/17 didn't last and after slipping into the bottom quarter, with 1 point from 3 games over Christmas head coach Lloyd Blackman replaced the Wards. A 10-match unbeaten run saw a mid-table finish reprieve, with Blackman confirmed as gaffer for 2017/18. A season of mixed fortunes saw a lean patch after Christmas with some significant injuries saw the Rams sliding in the table, but another strong finish lifted Ramsgate back towards mid-table. In 2018/19 the Rams dispatched Gosport Boro before Hemel Hempstead stopped them in the 3rd Qualifying Round on the FA Cup in Herts, while AFC Hornchurch stopped their FA Trophy run in Essex. Following this, and an unbeaten 8 game run in the League, the Rams lost two in a row and Blackman decided to step down, being replaced by former Sittingbourne manager Nick Davis (who played at centre half and at times captained the Rams in their Ryman Premier days) in December 2018. Nick saw out the rest of the season but after a poor start to the 2019/20 campaign, Nick was replaced by a joint management team of Jason Lillis, Terry Sedge and Joe Radford.

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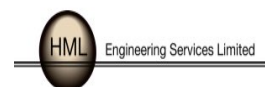
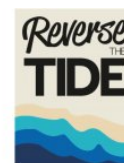
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2	Hastings United	26	16	8	2	48	19	29	56
3	Whitehawk	27	15	8	4	53	32	21	53
4	Cray Valley PM	26	15	6	5	45	24	21	51
5	Herne Bay	27	14	6	7	51	39	12	48
6	Whyteleafe	26	13	6	7	45	35	10	45
7	Chichester City	22	11	6	5	38	28	10	39
8	VCD Athletic	28	11	6	11	44	50	-6	39
9	Hythe Town	28	10	7	11	32	37	-5	37
10	Guernsey	28	9	9	10	39	47	-8	36
11	Sevenoaks Town	26	9	8	9	37	33	4	35
12	Phoenix Sports	25	11	2	12	42	40	2	35
13	Whitstable Town	27	9	8	10	37	39	-2	35
14	Haywards Heath Town	24	8	9	7	30	30	0	33
15	Burgess Hill Town	25	9	3	13	44	55	-11	30
16	Sittingbourne	25	8	4	13	29	32	-3	28
17	Faversham Town	27	6	7	14	27	43	-16	25
18	Three Bridges	28	5	3	20	34	60	-26	18
19	Ramsgate	27	3	7	17	27	61	-34	16
20	East Grinstead Town	25	1	7	17	25	59	-34	10

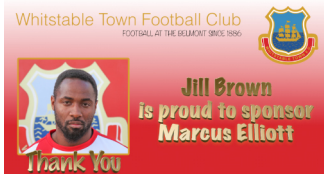
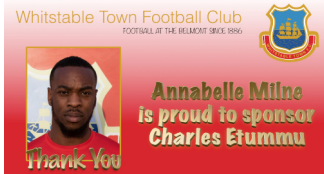
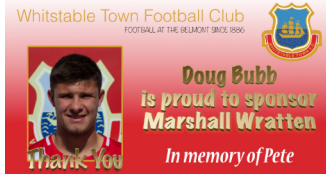
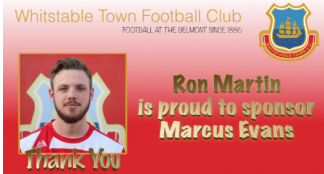
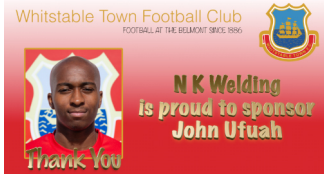
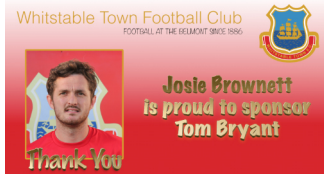
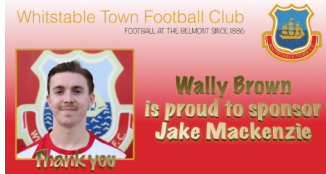
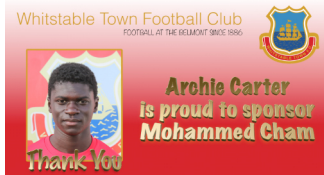
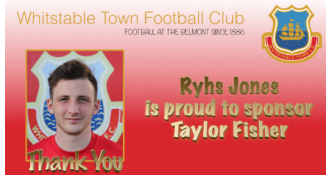
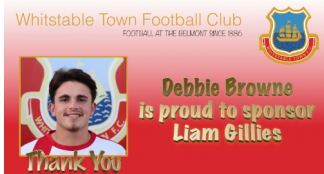
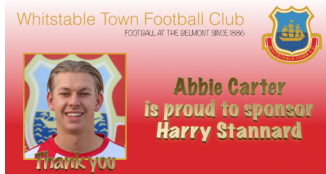
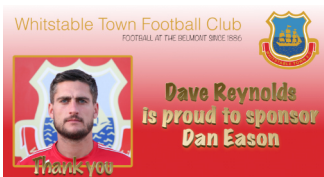
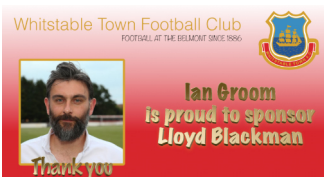
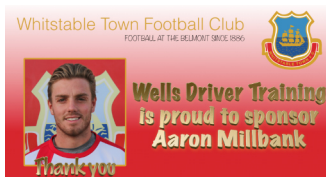
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WHITSTABLE TOWN F.C. MEET THE TEAM No. 4



JAKE MACKENZIE

Whitstable's right wing-back, Jake, is another who started his playing career with Gillingham Youth team. He was first signed for 'The Oysterman' in 2012 by then manager Justin Lutchorf. He made his Town debut on 18th August 2012 v. Leatherhead (A). After making 116 appearances for the Town he joined Ramsgate in 2015, the 25 year old Jake, returned to the Belmont at the start of this season and to date has made, in total, over 140 appearances and scored 7 goals for Whitstable Town.

WHITSTABLE TOWN FC PLAYER PROFILES

Jake Mackenzie Age 25 Right Back. Previous clubs Gillingham, Ramsgate
Best memory The FA Cup run last season for Ramsgate

John Ufuah Age 20 Attacking winger. Club debut September 2019 Previous clubs Leatherhead and Dartford.

Dan Eason Age 31 Goalkeeper. Previous clubs Herne Bay, Hythe Town
Best memory, Reaching the FA Vase semi-final was my most successful sporting achievement.

Liam Dickson Age 31 Centre Back. Club debut August 2019 Previous clubs Folkestone, Ramsgate.
Best memory Won the play-offs with Folkestone Invicta.

Marcus Evans Age 23 Centre Back. Club debut August 2019 Currently out injured. Previous clubs Corinthian, Cray Wanderers. Best memory winning the league with Cray Wanderers.

Tom Bryant Age 31 Centre Back and Captain. Club debut December 2016 and has since made over 100 appearances. Previous clubs Gillingham, Folkestone (loan), Halesowen Town, Herne Bay Tunbridge Wells. Best memory Turning pro at 17 with Gillingham

Luke Girt Age 25 Midfield. Club debut August 2014 and re-joined for season 2019-20. Previous clubs Sheppey Ramsgate, Sittingbourne. Best memory scoring to put us ahead in a FA Cup replay away to Northwood in extra time.

Tijan Jadama Age 21 Centre midfield box to box. Club debut November 2017 on loan and re-joined for 2019-20 season. Previous club Ramsgate. Best memory winning the Kent Cup Final with the under 18's. I played with a fractured neck last season but now back to full strength and ready for the new season.

Aaron Millbank Age 24 Striker. Club debut August 2019. Previous clubs Gillingham, Ramsgate.
Best memory Making my debut for Gillingham first team in 2014.

Connor Sanders Age 28 Centre Midfield/Centre Back. Previous clubs Carshalton, Herne Bay, Hythe Town, Ramsgate.

Harry Stannard Age 21 Striker. Club debut November 2015 and re-joined for 2019-20 season. Previous clubs Gillingham, Hastings, Margate, Ramsgate.

Ollie Rowe Age 28, Centre Back
Joined Whitstable: January 2020
Previous clubs: Eastbourne Borough, Chelmsford City, Lewes, Hastings United, Ashford United, Hythe Town

Josh Spencer Age 19. Centre Back. Club debut August 2019. Previous clubs Dover Ath. Academy, Sheppey Utd. Herne Bay, Sittingbourne, Dover Ath. First team. Highlight Playing a professional standard of football and scoring on my debut for Dover Athletic FC.

Muhammed Cham Age 18 Wing or centre forward. Previous club Whitstable Town Academy, Margate Sports. My highlight so far is having a trial with Fleetwood Town FC.

James Brown Age 27 Left back. Club debut November 2011 and re-joined for 2019-20 season
Previous clubs Faversham and Herne Bay.

Leo Mazzone Age 22 Midfield. Previous clubs Ebbsfleet Utd. and East Grinstead.

Charles Etumnu Age 20 Midfield. Club debut November 2019 Previous club Cray Wanderers

Marshall Wratten Age 19, Attacking winger. Club debut, September 2019. (On loan from Dover Ath.)
Previous club Dover Athletic.

Caleb Afoke Age 21, Defender. Joined Whitstable debut 2019-20 season. Previous clubs Herne Bay, Ashford Utd. Bishop's Stortford, Hollands and Blair.

Lewis Mitchell Age 20, Goalkeeper. Joined Whitstable 2019-20 season. Previous clubs Kent Football Utd. Erith Town, Erith and Belvedere.

Jay Hards Age 17, Work experience player on loan from Gillingham.



Jake MacKenzie



Liam Dickson



TJ Jadama



James Brown



Leo Mazzone



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Isthmian South East	:														
Guernsey	:	13	10529	810	1006	636	:	16	2402	160	333	55			
Hastings United	:	14	8377	598	1189	347	:	12	3112	259	808	108			
Herne Bay	:	14	4859	347	831	229	:	13	3669	282	809	56			
Burgess Hill Town	:	11	3402	309	364	261	:	14	2808	201	407	73			
Whitstable Town	:	14	4046	289	532	141	:	13	3592	276	831	74			
Whitehawk	:	14	3438	246	362	148	:	13	3356	258	1004	86			
Ashford United	:	13	3052	235	322	118	:	14	4256	304	1189	80			
Hythe Town	:	13	2935	226	362	141	:	15	3673	245	811	61			
Faversham Town	:	15	3100	207	323	111	:	12	2357	196	428	62			
Ramsgate	:	14	2800	200	252	144	:	13	3011	232	703	81			
Haywards Heath	:	11	2062	187	407	102	:	13	3293	253	759	50			
Chichester City	:	10	1828	183	268	74	:	12	3048	201	407	55			
Sevenoaks Town	:	13	2201	169	342	127	:	13	3282	252	635	81			
Sittingbourne	:	12	1929	161	221	86	:	5	386	300	780	79			
Whyteleafe	:	15	2063	138	207	79	:	11	2813	256	1006	50			
East Grinstead Town	:	12	1487	122	176	68	:	13	2892	222	661	51			
Cray Valley PM	:	14	1379	99	160	56	:	12	2333	194	281	93			
Three Bridges	:	14	1379	99	198	56	:	14	2245	160	308	62			
Phoenix Sports	:	12	1054	88	165	50	:	13	3483	268	795	84			
VCD Athletic	:	14	1209	86	228	50	:	14	3578	256	812	81			

Attendances 2019-20
League matches only Up to 22 February 2020

Whitstable Town FC - Player Records 2019-20

Player	League			Cup			Career		
	Starts	Sub	Goals	Starts	Sub	Goals	Apps	Goals	Debut
Caleb Afoke	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	26/11/2019
Alex Anderson	0	3	0	2	1	1	6	1	17/08/2019
James Brown	22	0	0	11	0	0	45	0	19/11/2011
Tom Bryant	20	0	0	8	0	0	145	12	27/12/2016
Muhammed Cham	0	1	0	0	1	0	2	0	26/11/2019
Liam Dickson	9	1	0	4	0	0	14	0	26/08/2019
Dan Eason	27	0	0	12	0	0	222	1	27/10/2015
Marcus Elliott*	11	10	6	4	7	2	32	8	17/08/2019
Charles Etumnu	3	3	0	2	0	0	8	0	23/11/2019
Marcus Evans	6	0	0	2	1	0	9	0	17/08/2019
Taylor Fisher	0	1	0	1	3	0	19	0	19/01/2019
Liam Gillies*	16	6	1	7	4	0	33	1	17/08/2019
Luke Girt	21	2	0	8	2	0	81	0	09/08/2014
Jez Hammond	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	12/11/2019
Jay Hards	0	3	0	0	0	0	3	0	01/02/2020
Tarik Ibrahim	0	3	0	1	1	0	5	0	17/08/2019
Tijan Jadama	24	1	5	9	0	1	36	7	04/11/2017
Jake Mackenzie	27	0	0	9	1	0	143	7	18/08/2012
Leo Mazzone	3	11	1	4	3	0	21	1	21/09/2019
Aaron Millbank	25	1	12	10	1	3	37	15	17/08/2019
Freddie Parker*	1	1	1	3	0	0	5	1	19/10/2019
Danny Patterson	0	1	0	0	1	0	2	0	20/08/2019
Osman Proni*	2	2	0	1	1	0	6	0	17/08/2019
Ollie Rowe	4	1	0	0	0	0	5	0	25/01/2020
Connor Sanders	16	1	0	7	1	0	35	1	09/03/2019
Josh Spencer	7	4	1	7	1	0	19	1	26/08/2019
Harry Stannard	13	5	5	4	3	4	44	16	28/11/2015
John Ufuah	22	1	2	9	0	2	32	4	14/09/2019
John Walker	4	0	1	3	0	0	67	1	04/11/2017
Marshall Wratten	14	4	2	3	0	2	21	4	14/09/2019

All players above have been appeared for Whitstable Town at some point this season.

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Up to 22 February 2020

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Pos.	Player	Team	Goalscorers
1	Zak Ansah	Herne Bay	21
2	David Smith	Ashford United	19
3	Ronald Sobowale	Whyteleafe	17
4	Warren Mfula	Burgess Hill Town / Cray Valley PM	14
5	Aaron Condon	Ashford United	13
6	Trevor McCreadie	Haywards Heath Town	13
7	Ben Pope	Hastings United	13
8	Ross Allen	Guernsey	12
9	Aaron Millbank	Whitstable Town	12
10	Duane Ofori-Acheampong	Whitehawk	12
11	Charlie MacDonald	VCD Athletic	11
12	Lucas Rodrigues	Whitehawk	10
13	Jeff Duah-Kessie	Phoenix Sports	9
14	Jay May	Ashford United	9
15	Tushaun-Tyreese Walters	Herne Bay	9
16	William Fazakerley	Guernsey	8
17	Max Miller	Burgess Hill Town	8
18	Kelvin Ogboe	VCD Athletic / Faversham Town	8
19	Kane Rowland	Ramsgate	8
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He hailed from County Durham and had begun his career at Old Trafford but turning out only a few times for Man.Utd. From Middlesbrough he went to Anfield for a season to be understudy to David James but never played a game, so moved to Hartlepool United for whom he played 15 times.

The year he left Middlesbrough was the time the club moved to its present Riverside Stadium from its long-time home ground of Ayresome Park. He was playing a very well supported testimonial match. It was the last game played at the ground and towards the end he was invited forward to take a penalty, which he duly converted. It turned out to be the last goal to be scored at the ground. Since hanging up his boots, he has been goalkeeper coach at Middlesbrough, Hartlepool and Gateshead.

The name Pears has no connection with the fruit. It is actually a version of Peter, with the s short for 'son', so means 'son of Peter'. This quite a religious name with its allusion to Simon Peter, disciple of Jesus Christ.



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Chichester City	28-Jan	2 2		Chichester City																																				
Cray Valley PM	3 1	1 0	0 2		Cray Valley PM																																			
East Grinstead Town	1 3	1 1	25-Apr	17-Mar		East Grinstead Town																																		
Faversham Town	28-Mar	1 2	2 1	0 0	7-Mar		Faversham Town																																	
Guernsey	0 6	7-Mar	0 3	19-Apr	11-Apr	4-Apr		Guernsey																																
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Herne Bay	2 2	0 1	2 0	0 3	3 1	13-Apr	3 1	18-Apr	0 0		Herne Bay																													
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Phoenix Sports	1 2	3 2	2 3	2 0	6 3	2 1	1 2	14-Mar	1 0	11-Apr	2 0		Phoenix Sports																											
Ramsgate	11-Apr	2 4	1 2	0 2	2 0	29-Feb	1 4	28-Mar	14-Mar	0 3	0 2	1 1		Ramsgate																										
Sevenoaks Town	3 0	21-Mar	2 2	1 1	13-Apr	3 1	14-Mar	2 2	1 2	25-Apr	0 0	1 0	3 1		Sevenoaks Town																									
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Three Bridges	0 5	0 0	3 4	29-Feb	1 2	14-Mar	0 2	1 2	1 3	3 5	4 1	0 4	0 0	0 1	28-Mar		Three Bridges																							
VCD Athletic	7-Mar	4 0	0 3	13-Apr	21-Mar	2 1	0 1	0 0	2 2	2 4	2 2	2 3	2 2	2 2	18-Apr	4 3		VCD Athletic																						
Whitehawk	18-Apr	2 0	31-Mar	2 0	1 0	2 2	28-Mar	2 2	1 1	5 1	3 0	1 2	3 1	11-Apr	1 0	7-Mar	3 2		Whitehawk																					
Whitstable Town	1 2	2 1	28-Mar	1 1	3 1	25-Apr	29-Feb	1 3	1 1	3 0	1 1	2 1	2 2	3 0	1 1	2 0	1 1	14-Mar		Whitstable Town																				
Whyteleafe	3 4	4 3	11-Apr	0 4	0 0	3 1	4 1	0 1	2 0	2 2	7-Mar	2 1	3 2	1 1	2 1	3 1	28-Mar	4 2	18-Apr		Whyteleafe																			

WHITSTABLE TEAMS OF THE PAST NO. 53

Researched and compiled by Bernie Thompson Club Historian



WHITSTABLE TOWN UNDER 18's 2004-05

Back row:- Peter Budge (manager), Sam Baker, Stuart Elliott, Liam Quinn, Ben Smith, Michael Holliday, Adam Wilson, Jake Gess, Lee Andrews (assistant manager & physio),
Front row:- Chris Barratt, Craig Underdown, James Duffy, Dylan Macvicar, Jack Smelt, Bertie Braidwood, Michael Seager, Harry Gower.

This photograph of the successful Whitstable Town Under 18's team which finished the 2004-05 season as Youth League Champions. Six of the players in this squad photo later made their debuts for the Town Club's 1st XI.

Sam Baker and Jake Gess made their debuts at Slade Green, coming on as substitutes during Town's 5-2 Kent Premier League victory on 14th January 2006. James Duffy first played for the first team on 18th February 2006 against Erith Town at the Belmont in a 3-0 victory in the Kent Premier League match.

Bertie Braidwood was first selected for the Boxing Day Ryman South encounter with Sittingbourne at the Belmont, a game won by 'The Brickies' 2-0. Goalkeeper, Dylan McVickar's first team baptism was in the 2-1 away victory over Corinthian Casuals in a Ryman South match on 30th September 2008. Ben Smith made his debut v. Met Police (A) on 7th November 2009 when Whitstable suffered a 5-0 defeat. Ben is now manager of local rivals Herne Bay after previously fulfilling a similar role for Canterbury City.

Today we show team No.53 in the continuing series of **Whitstable Teams of the Past**. The teams will not necessarily be of Whitstable Town FC, but will include local schools teams, or other local teams.

If anyone has any team pictures of Whitstable teams of the past whether they are of Whitstable Town first team, reserves team, 'A' team or youth team, any Whitstable school teams, or any of the numerous local club teams, Whitstable Old Boys, Whitstable United, Whitstable Natives etc. then please speak to Bernie as we would like to include your pictures in the Whitstable Teams of the Past series.

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BIG CROWD SEES POINTS SHARED

BY RON MARTIN

Rams hold on for a draw at the Belmont

WHITSTABLE TOWN 1 RAMSGATE 1

BetVictor Isthmian League South East Division

Saturday 8 February 2020 15.00

A slow start by the home side saw Tom Chapman give Ramsgate an early lead, but on a difficult pitch, Whitstable gradually improved and went on to have the better of the second half. Their only reward was a perfect, long distance free kick by Harry Stannard that found the top corner. Charlie Burns, in the Ramsgate goal, saved well from John Ufuah and Leo Mazzone, whilst Dan Eason was relatively untroubled and the teams had to settle for a point each.

This was the third meeting between the teams so far this season, with the first two matches at Southwood resulting in a 2-0 win for the Rams in the Velocity Trophy and a 1-1 draw in a league game, during which Dan Eason saved two penalties in three minutes. Ramsgate however have struggled for most of the season after making a lot of changes in the summer and arrived at the Belmont with only 14 points from 24 games and only winless East Grinstead below them in the table. Their line up for this game included former Oystermen James Morrish, playing in a new role at the heart of the defence, Kane Rowland and Ashley Miller, with Nick Treadwell among the substitutes. There are now also a number of ex-Ramsgate players at Whitstable, together with their former manager Lloyd Blackman, to add some further interest to the occasion.

Heavy overnight showers left the pitch very soft in places, but on a fine afternoon 502 turned out to watch. It was the visitors that pushed forward in the opening minutes, although Whitstable had several chances to send the ball into the box from free kicks and a corner and one cross by Ufuah was gently headed into the hands of Burns by a stretching Marshall Wratten. In the 16th minute, Chapman scored to give his team hope of a much needed win. New signing Henry Arnold played the ball in from the right to Chapman, whose touch was a bit heavy, so Eason came out to intercept, but slipped on the surface, allowing the Ramsgate forward the simple chance to take the ball past him and roll it into the net. Encouraged, they looked to extend their lead and had a near post attempt blocked following a corner, then Chapman pulled the ball back for Rowland who lifted a good opportunity over the bar.

Whitstable began to see a lot more of the ball and on 23 minutes Luke Girt won possession for Tijan Jadama to hit a great shot from 25 yards that beat Burns, but came back off the crossbar. A few minutes later, a low left wing cross by Wratten was flicked just over the bar by Aaron Millbank at the near post. Ramsgate looked to have carved out a good chance from a right wing cross, but the ball was stabbed just wide, although the offside flag had already been raised. A Wratten free kick was not held by Burns and the ball dropped to Stannard at the back post, but he shot over from close range. On 40 minutes, Jude Arthurs was booked for pulling back Jadama and from the free kick the ball eventually reached Ufuah whose cross was headed over the bar by Ollie Rowe. Aaron Simpson tested Eason with a low shot that was comfortably held and Ramsgate still led by the one goal at the break.

The home supporters did not have to wait long for a second half equaliser when Phil Starkey pushed Millbank just over 30 yards from goal in the 49th minute and Stannard hit a great free kick into the top left corner, out of the reach of Burns. Rowland almost got an opportunity at the other end, but Eason was quickly out to collect. Mazzone replaced Wratten in the 64th minute and was soon in the action when sliding into a challenge in the penalty area as Arthurs threatened. Ramsgate appealed for a spot kick, but the referee felt that he had played the ball off the Ramsgate player and awarded a goal kick.

Ufuah and Simpson were having a good battle down the Whitstable right and Ufuah got past him in the 71st minute, before having his low shot saved by Burns. Ufuah was as it again a few minutes later as he cut inside and tried a left footed shot that was pushed around the post by the goalkeeper. Stannard had a shot blocked from the short corner routine that followed. Ramsgate created their only goal attempt of the second half when Rowland fed Chapman whose low shot from the edge of the box was easily saved by Eason. In the 80th minute, a quick sequence of passing by Whitstable eventually saw Jake Mackenzie knocked over off the ball, but the penalty appeals were waved away. Both managers made changes, with Jay Hards coming on for his second Whitstable appearance and Mazzone was then involved at both ends of the pitch, making a good interception at the back, before being set up by Mackenzie, only to be denied by Burns. The resulting corner was hooked over the bar by Rowe. There was a late booking for Girt, but no more chances and the game ended 1-1.

Ramsgate remain second from bottom, now six points above East Grinstead who collected their first win at Three Bridges. Whitstable are tenth and next face away trips to Phoenix Sports and VCD.

Whitstable	Data	Ramsgate
7	Shots on target	3
8	Shots off target	1
2	Shots blocked	1
5	Corners	4
18	Fouls conceded	14
0	Offside	2
0	Penalties	0

Whitstable Town

Dan Eason, Jake Mackenzie, James Brown, Luke Girt, Ollie Rowe, Tom Bryant (c), John Ufuah, Tijan Jadama, Aaron Millbank, Harry Stannard (Jay Hards 83), Marshall Wratten (Leo Mazzone 64).
Subs (unused): Josh Spencer, Charles Etumnu, Liam Dickson.
Goal: Harry Stannard 49
Yellow card: Luke Girt 90+1

Ramsgate

Charlie Burns, Michael Turner, Aaron Simpson, Harry Norman, Phil Starkey, James Morrish, Henry Arnold, Jude Arthurs, Kane Rowland (c), Tom Chapman (Nick Treadwell 82), Ashley Miller (Tyrell Mitford 89).
Subs (unused): Josh Oliver, Farzad Haidary, Matty Robinson.
Goal: Tom Chapman 16
Yellow card: Jude Arthurs 40

Attendance: 502
Referee: Joe McKay
Assistants: Joseph Dann-Pye & Dan Blades



Ollie Rowe tries with a header but it sails over



Harry Stannard places his free-kick just inside the post to bring the scores level



Jake Mackenzie about to put a ball into the middle of the box

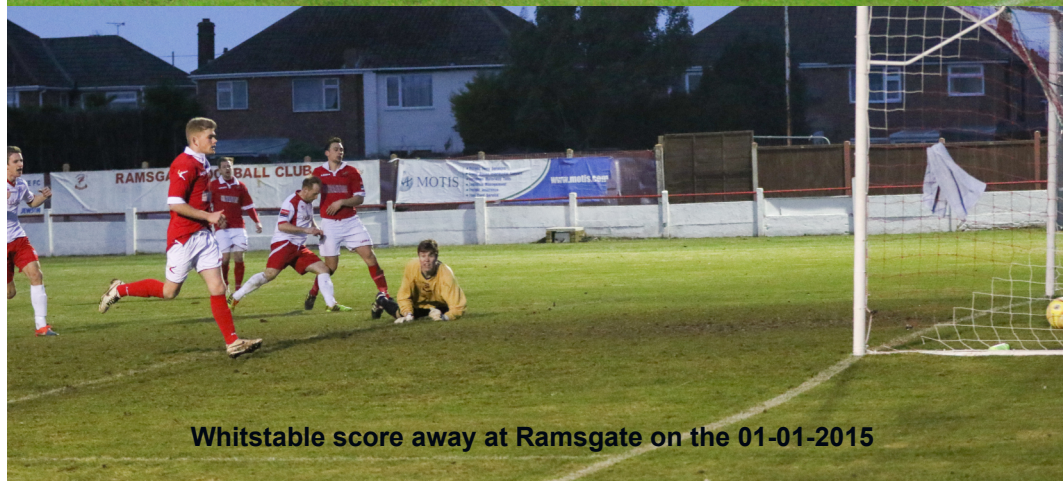
From the Archives



A determined header at the Town v Ramsgate on 06-10-12



Town v Ramsgate on 12-01-2013 Everitt and Lee behind but who is on the ball?



Whitstable score away at Ramsgate on the 01-01-2015

EARLY GOAL SINKS TOWN

BY RON MARTIN

Whitstable beaten in a poor game at a windy Oakwood

VCD ATHLETIC 1 WHITSTABLE TOWN 0

BetVictor Isthmian League South East Division

Saturday 8 February 2020 15.00

An early goal was enough for VCD to take the three points on a very windy afternoon in Crayford. Whitstable started the game, looking like a team that had not played for a couple of weeks and paid the price when Alex Gaggin shot past Dan Eason. Whitstable struggled to create much at all and the home team looked the more likely to find the net again, although two efforts from a narrow angle by Gaggin that were pushed out by the Whitstable goalkeeper were the nearest they came. Whitstable only managed two shots on target in a game that will not live long in the memory of the meagre crowd.

VCD started this fixture in 10th place, with one more point than Whitstable, having played an extra game. The teams drew 1-1 back in October at the Belmont. The last outing for VCD resulted in a 1-0 win at Herne Bay, but Whitstable had not played for two weeks, since their draw with Ramsgate. Whitstable manager Lloyd Blackman named an unchanged team.

The pitch contained several sanded areas, although the game was not really in any doubt despite the recent rain. A bigger factor was the strong wind that blew throughout the afternoon to make conditions challenging for both teams and the 79 in attendance, almost half of which had travelled to support Whitstable. VCD twice got into threatening positions in the opening stages, before the Whitstable defence blocked balls in the box, but they did not have long to wait to take the lead. A long punt upfield by Jack Steventon saw Charlie Macdonald get past Tom Bryant and play the ball across to Gaggin, who worked himself an opening before hitting a left footed shot past a couple of defenders and Eason into the net in the 8th minute. A brief spell of Whitstable pressure led to Harry Stannard flicking the ball through to Aaron Millbank, but his shot was comfortably held by former Cray Wanderers goalkeeper Nick Blue.

Whitstable suffered an injury blow when their captain, Bryant, hurt his knee when challenged by Macdonald and had to be helped off before being replaced by Leo Mazzone, with Luke Girt dropping back into the defence. Bode Anidugbe struck a weak free kick straight at Eason and then in the 29th minute, Gaggin sent in a low cross from the right that Eason had to push behind at his near post. From the resulting corner, Gaggin was played in again by Anidugbe before trying his luck again from a very tight angle and once again Eason kept the ball out. Stannard swung a free kick dangerously into the box, but the home defence cleared the ball away and there was nothing else of significance to report in the first half, so VCD still led by the single goal at the break.

In the 53rd minute, Mazzone, probably the most effective Whitstable player on the day, fed John Ufuah who got the better of Bradley Simms and hit a good shot from just inside the box, but Blue was able to make the save. There were two chances at the other end, early in

the second half, for Henry Ikeije, but he blazed both well over the top. Jay Hards replaced Marshall Wratten on 71 minutes, as Whitstable tried in vain to find an equaliser against a physical home defence. Ali Fuseini attempted a low shot that was safely held by Eason, before the referee got his yellow card out three times in the space of a few minutes. The two big VCD central defenders both went into the book for heavy challenges, then Tijan Jadama joined them soon afterwards. Fuseini and substitute Ainsley Everett tried to extend the lead without success and Whitstable won their only corner in the 91st minute that was headed over by Mazzone. In truth though, neither team really looked much like scoring and the home team were happy to see out the game and take maximum points from a game played in difficult conditions.

Whitstable are now scheduled to play Ramsgate at the Belmont Ground in a Kent Senior Cup quarter final on Tuesday, before Guernsey visit on Saturday, assuming the weather does not have other ideas.

VCD	Data	Whitstable
6	Shots on target	2
5	Shots off target	2
1	Shots blocked	1
6	Corners	1
14	Fouls conceded	11
5	Offside	2
0	Penalties	0

VCD Athletic

Nick Blue, Bradley Simms, Raphe Brown, Temi Eweka, Jack Steventon, Rob Bartley, Alex Gaggin (Ayman El-Mogharbel 83), Bode Anidugbe, Ali Fuseini (Theo Fairweather-Johnson 90+2), Charlie Macdonald (c), Henry Ikeije (Ainsley Everett 61).

Subs (unused): Harry Sargent, Theo Mackenzie.

Goal: Alex Gaggin 8

Yellow cards: Temi Eweka 75, Rob Bartley 80.

Whitstable Town

Dan Eason, Jake Mackenzie, James Brown (Liam Dickson 90+1), Luke Girt, Ollie Rowe, Tom Bryant (c) (Leo Mazzone 22), John Ufuah, Tijan Jadama, Aaron Millbank, Harry Stannard, Marshall Wratten (Jay Hards 71).

Sub (unused): Josh Spencer

Yellow card: Tijan Jadama 82



A good call for a penalty that was not given he was all over Harry



Young Jay Hards was given a fifteen minute chance at the end of the match

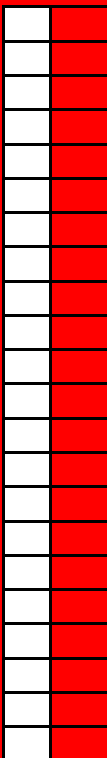


Keeping a firm hold on Aaron, another foul not given



WHITSTABLE TOWN

Manager: Lloyd Blackman



Caleb Afoke
James Brown
Tom Bryant (Capt)
Muhammed Cham
Liam Dickson
Dan Eason (GK)
Charles Etumnu
Luke Girt
Jay Hards
Tijan Jadama
Jake Mackenzie
Leo Mazzone
Aaron Millbank
Lewis Mitchell (GK)
Ollie Rowe
Connor Sanders
Josh Spencer
Harry Stannard
John Ufuah
Marshall Wratten

Asst. Manager: Mark Lane

GK Coach: Mark Lane

Coach: Steve Nolan

Physio: Levi Girling

Kitman: Ada Hubbard

Team Colours:

Shirts: Red with White Trim

Shorts: Red

Socks: Red with White Trim

Referee: Kirsty Dowle

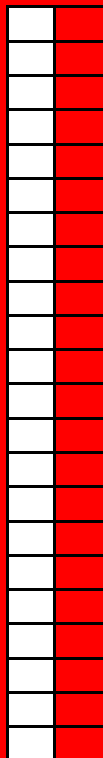
Assistant 1: Michael Butcher

Assistant 2: Benjamin Marshall

Observer: Louise Saunders

RAMSGATE FC

Manager: Matt Longhurst



Charlie Burns
Harrison Pont
Rob Saunders
Phil Starkey
Will Thomas
Aaron Simpson
Harry Norman
Nick Treadwell
Farzad Haidary
James Morrish
Charlie Meade
Jude Arthurs
Ashley Miller
Kane Rowland
Tyrell Mitford
Tom Chapman

Asst. Mngr: Les Cleevely

Coach: Liam Taylor

Coach: Seb Tidey

Physio: Kate Jonesy

Physio:

Kitman:

Team Colours:

Shirts: Yellow

Shorts: Black

Socks: Black

Next home match is a Kent Senior Cup Game v Ramsgate Saturday 25th. February KO 7:45